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117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R._____

To require the Secretary of Defense to update the Unified Facilities Criteria to the most updated energy efficiency codes and standards, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. NEGUSE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on_____

A BILL

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- 1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives*
- 2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
- 3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**
- 4 This Act may be cited as the “Defense Energy Efficiency Act”.
- 5 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT OF UNIFIED FACILITIES CRITERIA TO**
- 6 **PROMOTE ENERGY EFFICIENT MILITARY INSTALLATIONS.**
- 7 (a) AMENDMENT REQUIRED.—Not later than September 1,
- 8 2022, the Secretary of Defense shall amend the Unified
- 9 Facilities Criteria relating to military construction
- 10 planning and design to ensure that building practices and

1 standards of the Department of Defense incorporate the
2 latest consensus-based codes and standards for energy
3 efficiency and conservation, including the 2021
4 International Energy Conservation Code and the ASHRAE
5 Standard 90.1-2019.

6 (b) CONDITIONAL AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—Not more than
7 25 percent of the funds authorized to be appropriated for
8 fiscal year 2022 for Department of Defense planning and
9 design accounts relating to military construction projects
10 may be obligated until the date on which the Secretary of
11 Defense submits to the Committees on Armed Services of
12 the House of Representatives and the Senate a certification
13 that the Secretary—

14 (1) has initiated the amendment process required
15 by subsection (a); and

16 (2) intends to complete such process by September
17 1, 2022.

18 (c) IMPLEMENTATION OF UNIFIED FACILITIES CRITERIA
19 AMENDMENTS.—

20 (1) COMPLIANCE DEADLINE.—Any Department of
21 Defense Form 1391 submitted to Congress after
22 September 1, 2022 shall comply with the Unified Facilities
23 Criteria, as amended pursuant to this section.

24 (2) CERTIFICATION.—Not later than March 1, 2023,
25 the Secretary of Defense shall certify to the Committees on
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1 Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the
2 Senate the completion and full incorporation of the
3 amendments made pursuant to subsection (a) into
4 military construction planning and design.

5 (d) ANNUAL REVIEW REQUIRED.—The Secretary of
6 Defense shall conduct an annual review comparing the
7 Unified Facilities Criteria and industry best practices for
8 the purpose of ensuring that military construction
9 building practices and standards of the Department of
10 Defense relating to military installation energy efficiency
11 and energy conservation remain up-to-date with the latest
12 consensus- based energy codes and standards that provide
13 energy savings. Not later than March 1 each year, the
14 Secretary shall submit the results of the most recent
15 review to the Committees on Armed Services of the House
16 of Representatives and the Senate.
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